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Development of Fisheries
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Government has reviewed the performance of fishing sector over the last three years in terms of targets set and achieved by various States including Gujarat, if so, the details thereof including the standard assessment norms State-wise during last three years:
(b) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government for integrated development of marine and inland fishing in various States including Gujarat for both domestic consumption and exports under Blue Revolution in the country:
(c) whether the National Fisheries Development Board is considering to enlist participation of the private sector in the Blue Revolution to achieve the intended objectives, if so, the details thereof:
(d) the details of earnings made during the last three years from fish exports along with targets fixed by the Government for the next three years: and
(e) whether the Government is considering to come out with a new national policy on fisheries to achieve the target of export earning from fish and fish products from Rs.33,441 crore to Rs.1,00,000 crore during the next five years, if so, the details thereof?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
(SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)

(a) : No. Madam. No such specific review has been carried out.
(b) and (c) : The Government of India has restructured the Central Plan Scheme under an umbrella of Blue Revolution. The restructured Central Sector Scheme on Blue Revolution: Integrated Development and Management of Fisheries(CSS) approved in December, 2015 by the Government provides for a focused development and management of the fisheries sector to increase both fish production and fish productivity from aquaculture and fisheries resources of the inland and marine fisheries sector including deep sea fishing. This scheme is implemented in all the States/UTs including Gujarat.
The scheme has several sub-components that have a commercial approach and encourage the participation of farmers and entrepreneurs. The objectives of the scheme are (i) to increase overall fish production in a responsible and sustainable manner for economic prosperity, (ii) to modernize the fisheries sector with special focus on new technologies, (iii) to ensure food and nutritional security in the country, (iv) to generate employment and export earnings and (v) to ensure inclusive development and empower fishers and aquaculture farmers.

(d) and (e) : Details of earnings made during the last three years from the marine fisheries exports is furnished at Annexure-I. The Central Sector Scheme on Blue Revolution: Integrated Development and Management of Fisheries(CSS) aims at enhancing fish production from the present level of 107.95 lakh tonne (provisional) (2015-16) to about 150 lakh tonne by the end of the financial year 2019-20 for both domestic consumption and export. Besides, the Marine Products Export Development Authority(MPEDA), Ministry of Commerce and Industries also implements various export promotion policies and schemes to enhance export earnings from the marine and brackish-water fish and aquaculture products.
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